

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An electronic device, comprising a lid operable to pivot about at least one hinge from a protected orientation to a fully extended orientation.
2. The electronic device of claim 1, wherein the lid is operable to releasably lock in a position where an angle between an inner surface of the lid and a top surface of a base is greater than one-hundred and eighty degrees.
3. The electronic device of claim 1, wherein the at least one hinge facilitates reconfiguration of the electronic device from the protected orientation to the fully extended orientation by rotation of the lid about a longitudinal axis of the at least one hinge.
4. The electronic device of claim 1, wherein the at least one hinge facilitates reconfiguration of the electronic device from the protected orientation to the fully extended orientation by rotation of the lid by more than one-hundred and eighty degrees with respect to a base.
5. The electronic device of claim 1, wherein the lid comprises a display device.
6. An electronic device, comprising:
a base;
a lid; and
at least one hinge, comprising:
a linking structure operable to couple the lid to the base; and
a pair of cooperatively engaged gears, a first gear of the pair of gears disposed in the base and a second gear of the pair of gears disposed in the lid to facilitate movement of the lid and the base relative to the linking structure.
7. The electronic device of claim 6, further comprising a mounting pin disposed in the base and operable to couple an end of the linking structure to the base.
8. The electronic device of claim 6, further comprising a mounting pin disposed in the lid and operable to couple an end of the linking structure to the lid.

9. The electronic device of claim 6, further comprising a mounting pin operable to couple an end of the linking structure to the base, such that rotation of the linking structure causes the mounting pin to rotate about a longitudinal axis of the mounting pin.

10. The electronic device of claim 9, further comprising a clutch structure associated with the mounting pin and operable to resist movement of the base relative to the mounting pin.

11. The electronic device of claim 6, further comprising a mounting pin operable to couple an end of the linking structure to the lid and operable to rotate about a longitudinal axis of the mounting pin.

12. The electronic device of claim 6, wherein the first gear is fixedly secured to the base and the second gear is fixedly secured to the lid.

13. The electronic device of claim 6, further comprising a detent mechanism associated with a mounting pin disposed in the base, the detent mechanism operable to resist movement of the base relative to the mounting pin.

14. The electronic device of claim 6, further comprising a detent mechanism associated with a mounting pin disposed in the lid, the detent mechanism operable to resist movement of the lid relative to the mounting pin.

15. An electronic device, comprising:
a base; and
at least one hinge operable to couple a lid to the base, the lid operable to pivot about the at least one hinge from a protected orientation to a fully extended orientation.

16. The electronic device of claim 15, wherein the at least one hinge facilitates releasable locking of the lid in a position where an angle between an inner surface of the lid and a top surface of the base is greater than one-hundred and eighty degrees.